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IHS Releases \$500 Million in Recovery Act Funds to Improve Health Care and Boost Economy in Indian Country

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced today that the Indian Health Service (IHS) has received \$500 million in Recovery Act funds to improve health care and boost the economy in Indian Country. “These Recovery Act funds will provide critical assistance to American Indian and Alaska Native communities,” said IHS Director Dr. David G. Henshaw. The Recovery Act funds are to be expended by the IHS as follows: \$227 million for health facilities construction, \$100 million for health facility construction, \$100 million for health facility construction, and \$73 million for health facility construction. The Recovery Act health facility construction funds will be used to complete the construction of the new health facility construction projects. Sanitation facilities funds will be used to complete 169 sanitation facilities projects constructed in 24 states. The ARRA will also fund 302 maintenance and improvement projects. Many IHS and tribal facilities require maintenance and improvement projects. Finally, Recovery Act funds will be used to purchase over 200 pieces of medical equipment, including 35 pieces of medical equipment. To see a list of all IHS projects funded by the Indian Health Service, click [here](#). For more information, click [here](#). [Return to List](#)